

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have dedicated a substantial amount of time and energy to serving others in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, the Honorable Carl Bearden has attained considerable distinction as the State Representative from the Sixteenth District; and

Whereas, Representative Carl Bearden will be recognized with a Governmental Leadership for Mental Health Award on Saturday, February 28, 2004, by Wentzville's Crider Center for Mental Health at its "Heroes for Mental Health" event which will take place at The Columns Banquet Center in Saint Charles; and

Whereas, each year the Crider Center for Mental Health hosts a program to honor people such as Representative Carl Bearden and organizations involved in enhancing the mental health of Saint Charles County residents; and

Whereas, Representative Carl Bearden enjoys a long-standing reputation for mental health advocacy which has its roots during his eight years on the Saint Charles County Council, which he served as Chairman for three years; and

Whereas, elected to the Missouri House of Representatives in 2000, the Honorable Carl Bearden has chaired the Budget Committee during one of the most critical fiscal periods in recent history; and

Whereas, during his tenure as Chairman of the Budget Committee, Representative Carl Bearden has successfully, valiantly, and determinedly asked tough questions to reform the budgeting process which is so crucial to protect Missourians with mental illness who are among the state's most vulnerable citizens:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the visionary work of Representative Carl Bearden on behalf of those dealing with mental health issues and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon receiving the Governmental Leadership for Mental Health Award from the Crider Center for Mental Health in Wentzville, Missouri; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Representative Carl Bearden.

Offered by Representative Scott T. Rupp, #13
Representative Sherman Parker, #12
Representative Joe Smith, #14
Representative Thomas S. Green, #15
Representative Vicki A. Schneider, #17
Representative Tom Dempsey, #18
Representative Cynthia Davis, #19

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. , adopted , 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker